

# CIA Will Tell Hill Of Journalist Help

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The CIA has agreed to give the Senate Intelligence Committee access to internal files that would show the nature and scope of chores performed for the agency by American journalists, but without revealing the names of individuals involved.

Sens. Walter D. Huddleston, D-Ky., and Charles McMathias Jr., R-Md., after a luncheon meeting yesterday with CIA Director George Bush, said agreement had been reached on "procedures to give the committee the information we need while protecting the CIA's responsibility to its personnel."

The agency consistently has refused to disclose names of journalists who have worked for it over the years, citing its responsibility to protect the identity of its agents, and the Senate committee has agreed not to ask for those names.

HUDDLESTON said the committee will be given access to files showing the nature of work performed for the CIA by journalists on its payroll, the precise jobs undertaken, and any "manipulation" of the domestic press that may have resulted from such relationships.

Mathias noted Bush already has ordered the CIA to sever its connections with American journalists, whether full- or part-time.

Mathias said the Senate

committee's primary concern in investigating past ties between the agency and journalists is to determine "whether the domestic press of the United States has been subverted" in violation of the 1st Amendment.

He said committee investigators will examine stories written by journalists on the CIA payroll to see "whether a journalist was a kept man or woman, and whether he or she had any obligation to write what was written."

Huddleston said the panel already has information in its files that would suggest journalists in some instances had been used as "propagandists" by the CIA.

THE TWO SENATORS said the CIA will delete the names of journalists it has employed from the files to be shown to Senate investigators, and will reveal the identity of the news organizations involved only under very limited circumstances.

Huddleston conceded that the committee probably could ascertain who the journalists were by piecing together information about the dates, places and nature of the work they performed for the CIA and examining the stories they wrote or broadcast.

But the committee, he said, would not reveal the identities of the individuals even if it should ascertain them.